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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

Applicant

: Michael R. Oldenburg

Appln. No.

: 10/781,175

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Title

: RETROFITTABLE SEVERE

DUTY SEAL FOR A SHAFT

Confirmation No: 1818

Group Art Unit: 3676

Examiner: Peavey, Enoch E.

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of September 2, 2004, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.